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NEWS BRIEFS

Safety key in 101 critical days

Memorial Day started the infamous countdown for summer. Outdoor activities can be fun with safety in mind. For some tips, visit <http://afsafety.af.mil>.

Education fair set for June

The education fair is planned for June 8 in the galley from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. All military and family members are welcome to attend. The Navy College now has more than 10 schools scheduled for the fair.

Base ID card office upgrading

The military identification office will be closed June 13-14 for hardware and software upgrades. The 301st Fighter Wing, military personnel flight, in building 1654, will be open for emergencies only.

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A cool assignment

Tech. Sgt. Bo Honeycutt, 301st Maintenance Squadron structural maintenance technician, stands ready to assist on this Alaskan flightline. Eight F-16 aircraft and more than 170 support personnel deployed for two weeks of annual training at Elmendorf AFB. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Stephen Bailey, Public Affairs.)

South meets north in deployment to Alaska

Tech. Sgt. Stephen Bailey
Public Affairs

The 301st Fighter Wing deployed to Elmendorf AFB, Alaska, for two weeks of training. Arriving May 21 with eight F-16 aircraft and more than 170 support personnel, the wing will participate in dissimilar missions with F-15 aircraft from the 3rd Wing at Elmendorf AFB.

These Texas reservists, who are performing their annual training requirement, are engaging in combat flight missions and testing their capabilities over the picturesque Alaskan terrain. Of-

ficials chose Alaska for its cooler climate and flying area which provides F-16 pilots larger volumes of airspace to fly at supersonic speeds and perform more realistic air-to-air training.

"This has been a great experience so far, not only for our pilots, but for everyone involved," said Lt. Col. Bruce Cox, 301st FW detachment commander. "This deployment provides many opportunities for us which we couldn't do at our home station. The airspace issue and supersonic capability are two major areas, but we'll also interact with different aircraft systems

and pilots, strengthening our overall performance capability."

A few problems have cropped up during this visit, however, officials were quick to applaud the maintenance teams who have "really stepped up and adjusted to difficult situations, keeping everything running smoothly and on time."

This is not the first trip to Alaska for the Texas team. The wing deployed to Elmendorf in August 2001 and, apparently liked it so much, wanted to come

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Vice makes move to Tenth Air Force

Like many of you, I joined the military first to serve, but also for the experiences of pursuing the career of my childhood dreams.

It has been a very exciting and awesome adventure. I have been extremely fortunate to be associated with some of the finest organizations and personnel in the United States military. There is no question that the 301st and its personnel are the "best of the best."

Flying the F-16 in this wing has proven to be the "ultimate assignment." I can honestly say it is not the flying that now motivates me to continue, but the association with the most outstanding and professional people I have ever met. You, the members of the 301st, are truly the finest and most capable members of the United States Air Force. I am ex-



Col. Craig Gourley
301st Fighter Wing
Vice Commander

tremely proud to have served along side each one of you.

As I move over to Tenth Air Force, I know I will continue to see the 301st set the standard and, in-turn, raise the bar for the rest of the Reserve. *I salute you and remember to keep it fun!*

Summer:

A season to exercise off-duty safety

By Lt. Gen. John A. Bradley

Commander of Air Force Reserve Command

WASHINGTON - "There are no second acts in American lives," F. Scott Fitzgerald once wrote. Memorial Day Weekend signals the start of summer, traditionally a time of fun and sun. During the 101 Critical Days of Summer, we sometimes try to do too much because of the extra sunlight. Here are suggestions on how to keep healthy and safe this summer:

Alcohol consumption - Don't drink and operate vehicles - automobiles, boats, jet skis, etc. If you drink, do it moderately and always appoint a designated driver.

Traveling - Be sober, vigilant and well-rested. Ensure everyone wears a seatbelt.

Watercraft - Know your craft and use personal floatation devices. Use caution

when operating boats and jet skis, staying away from other boaters, swimmers and jet skiers.

Motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles - Don't operate without proper training and personal protective equipment. Always remain vigilant and drive defensively.

Outdoor activities - Before and after athletic activity, take a short moderate-to-brisk walk to improve circulation rather than stretching, which experts say contributes to muscle strain. Know your limits and don't overdo it. Avoid prolonged exposure to the sun; use sunscreens and drink plenty of water.

Swimming - Swim with a

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BRAC affects Air Force reservists at Carswell

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. - If put into law, Air Force Reserve Command will close three installations and move people from a dozen locations to two dozen sites throughout the United States.

Although command officials anticipate keeping roughly the same troop level authorizations, AFRC will expand some existing missions such as air operations center, space, unmanned aerial vehicle and associate-unit flying.

These and other changes are among those recommended by the Department of Defense to the Base Realignment and Closure Com-

mission. DOD announced the recommendations May 13.

As some military bases were severely affected, Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Carswell Field, Texas, took a much softer blow according to Brig. Gen. Neil A. Rohan, 301st Fighter Wing commander.

"While I'm sorry to see any Reserve unit closed, I'm gratified the 301st Fighter Wing was spared that fate. We are a key partner in this cooperative effort we call the JRB. The Secretary's decision allows us to continue to move forward and build an even stronger, more efficient joint organization."

Under the BRAC recommendations:

AFRC's 301st Fighter Wing will receive nine F-16Cs from the 419th FW, Hill AFB, Utah. This move will help consolidate the F-16 units. The 301st FW's F-110 engine intermediate maintenance function will move to a centralized intermediate repair facility at Hill AFB.

"These realignments will make the Air Force more capable, efficient and effective," said General Rohan. (*Tech. Sgt. Julie Briden-Garcia, 301st FW public affairs, added to portions of this AFRC News Service article.*)

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301st Fighter Wing

NCO of the Quarter
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**Master Sgt.
Stacey G. Moore**

Training Manager

301st Aerospace Medicine
Squadron



**Master Sgt. Moore's
accomplishments:**

Master Sgt. Moore revitalized the OJT program, giving unit supervisors a 'one stop shop' for guidance and trainees expert training assessments - leading to 100 percent upgrades to all eligible members. Sgt. Moore has a flair for teaching, emphasizing critical thinking skills and innovation. His hands-on approach, volunteerism and enthusiasm is infectious. He conducted five Train the Trainer courses during annual tour, crediting more than 40 members. Sgt. Moore's involvement in his community touches numerous people in his church including his Bible Brigade students and vacation bible school attendees. He's also a member of the Paris Police Department Association.

Memorial Day reflections

Service before self Lifetime dream becomes reality

Tech. Sgt. Udrika Baldwin

301 Services Flight

I started out serving as a dual member of the Joint Service Honor Guard and 301st Fighter Wing Honor Guard. However, this past January the USAF Honor Guard at Bolling AFB, Md., sent out an Air Force-wide email asking program managers to submit their top two honor guard members to consider for selection to participate in the 2005 presidential inauguration.

There were hundreds of honor guardsmen submitted, fifteen people were chosen, two of which were Tech. Sgt. Travis Rawlinson, who was unable to attend, and me.

My adventure started at 6 a.m., Sat., Jan 15th, with a meeting. The commander proceeded to tell us plans had changed and there would only be the best five out of fifteen performing in the presidential inauguration, however, there would be other events in which others could perform.

At the end of Saturday's practice, five names were given -- I was one of them. Sunday, we fell in formations at 3:30 a.m. and were released around 5 p.m. at the earliest. The time practicing was worth every minute. I marched in a nine-by-nine flight for the presidential inauguration,

which turned out great. The march was only four-and-a-half miles long.

On the 18th, I performed in the farewell ceremony for the Secretary of Air Force Dr. James G. Roche.

I would have to say, the next day was the highlight of my honor guard career. I was blessed to be selected to perform on a full honors funeral service in Arlington National Cemetery -- a personal first. Those of us who performed on the full honors funerals that day were the first-ever base honor guard members to do so in Air Force history.

As we marched down the roads, our hearts beating with every beat of the drums, we passed more than 260,000 of our veteran brothers and sisters from all our nations' wars. For all of you who bleed blue -- I don't know everyone's reasons for joining the military -- I can tell you one thing, I feel blessed everyday to wake up because those veterans who served before us have brought honor to our country and helped keep peace in the world.

The 301st has many outstanding ceremonial guardsmen. I'd like to mention two of our outstanding members who have weathered many days and nights to uphold

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Sand Upon Their Boots

Editor's note: Chief Master Sgt. Bradley Scott, 301st Fighter Wing command chief master sergeant and this poem's author, is currently gathering 25 years of his works to publish in a book, hopefully in the near future.

It's been a couple of years now
Since my time in the Middle East
I haven't completely settled back
From my tangle with the beast.

I hear some freely speak at times
Their minds about the strife
In the comfort of Enduring Freedom
In the blessing of normal life.

Speaking on things they know not of
Wearing thousand dollar suits
Never having earned the right
With no sand upon their boots.

But them that spend some time in hell
Let them shout from every roof
To proclaim the cause of freedom
And expound upon the truth.

For they have seen the bloody ground
Felt the sand upon their tooth
And seen a teardrop disappear
In the sand upon their boots.



Two subcontractor employees put the finishing touches to a window sill on building 1654. This renovation project started back in 2002 and took about six months for the construction to be completed. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Kristin Mack, Public Affairs.)

Wing buildings receive extreme makeover

Staff Sgt. Kristin Mack
Public Affairs

After three years in the making, the construction process to revamp the exterior portion of two 301st Fighter Wing buildings is well underway.

The \$700,000 project, designed in 2002 by the architectural firm, Paragon Project Resources, Inc., includes the Exterior Insulation Finish System (EIFS) application, upgrade to thermal windows, addition of five steel overhead canopies, conversion of a roll-up door to double doors, and landscaping in front of building 1650.

"We are trying to update a building built in the fifties," said Randi Audelo, 301st Contracting Flight's operational contracting chief. "These buildings have probably not seen changes like this since they were originally built."

"The additional insulation added to the outside of the two

buildings was done by adhering white Styrofoam to the current brick foundation and troweling simulated stucco on top for texture and appearance," said Senior Master Sgt. Jim Stevens, 301st Civil Engineer Squadron operations superintendent. This procedure's outcome doesn't necessarily add any cost savings to the energy factor but provides the buildings with an updated look according to Ms. Audelo.

In addition to the resurfaced walls, five awnings will be added to each entrance to the two buildings. The steel canopies have a brick design around the posts and, eventually, will have a bronze roof to shield building patrons from outside elements. To make room for the canopy, located at the front entrance of building 1654, the F-16 monument had to relocate to the south corner of the building. After all the upgrades are complete, an F-16 tail will be displayed where a concrete slab was poured at that corner.

"Before the renovation began, building 1650 had somewhat of a warehouse look," said Ms. Audelo.

"These buildings look new again and allow more light inside," she added. The only

known major renovation performed on these buildings in recent years was the interior renovation of building 1654 seven years ago. Now the exterior portion is being done.

The delay in the succession of projects was due to the funding and approval process.

"It's about prioritizing," said Ms. Audelo. The gap between each project is because of the lengthy process each project must go through. The requirements are submitted to civil engineering for a cost estimate and then forwarded to Tenth Air Force and Air Force Reserve Command for approval and inclusion to the AFRC priority list.

After this project is completed, plans to replace the roofing should follow.



Building 1650, 301st Maintenance Group's headquarters, received a well-deserved exterior makeover. More than \$700,000 was spent renovating this building and building 1654. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Kristin Mack, Public Affairs.)

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Early TRICARE benefits come to reserve component

Some members of the National Guard and Reserve are eligible for "early" TRICARE



medical and dental benefits.

Known as the Reserve Component, these members are issued delayed-effective-date active duty orders for more than 30 days in support of a contingency operation, beginning on the later of either: (a) the date their orders were issued or (b) 90 days before they report to active duty.

Troops and their family members eligible for this early TRICARE benefit, must be registered and TRICARE eligible in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS). Their service's per-

sonnel office is responsible for determining their eligibility for this benefit.

RC members can verify their eligibility through the secure Guard and Reserve Web Portal site at <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/appj/esgr/index.jsp>. If the employer input page appears, click the "back" button located on the bottom of the "employer input" page.

For assistance with an eligibility problem, 301st Fighter Wing members should call their Reserve Service Point of Contact listed at www.tricare.osd.mil/reserve/reservepoc.cfm or call HQ AFRC/DPX (PRC) at DSN: 497.1262/52. For more details, visit www.tricare.osd.mil.

301st Fighter Wing Action Line

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When you call 817.782.5719 or send email to 301action.line@carswell.af.mil your comments will be recorded and staffed through the agency responsible for the action.

Please give your supervisor and chain of command the opportunity to work with you in answering questions and solving problems before calling ACTION LINE. Items of basewide interest to the 301st workforce will be published in the *Fighter Line*.

I would like to express my appreciation to Mr. Ken Winkelman, 301st Fighter Wing training division. During the week of May 2, 2005, he assisted me with preparations for the instruction course hosted by my unit (DOD Police).

His "can do" attitude and customer service became self-evident by his overall willingness to sincerely help with this project. He allowed use of his

printer to make handout copies, showed me how to use the auditorium projector equipment, and made tables and chairs available.

All this assistance ensured a successful event. Then, he conducted follow-up visits throughout the week to see to the instructors and students needs.

He is a truly outstanding and professional individual. Thanks to his efforts, the instruction course went smoothly and was a great success. My hat is off with a huge thank you.

Also, the instructors from the National Terrorism Awareness Institute commented on our exceptional training facility at the 301st FW headquarters auditorium, saying it was the best facility they had visited.

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A father's love influences a career

Chaplain (Capt.) Mark McDaniel

301st Fighter Wing Chaplain's Team

June is the month we celebrate Father's Day so I wanted to tell you about my father Alvin McDaniel.

As many of you know, he served for 32 years in the Army Air Corps and Air Force. He began this distinguished service as a nose gunner on the B-24 Liberator flying out of India. He completed his career as a Senior Master Sgt. at Bergstrom AFB, Texas, in the munitions career field.

His time at Bergstrom included two years in Vietnam. My father, who passed away 11 years ago, was a quiet testimony to a nobler time. The day after he retired, he started working at a full-service Shamrock gas station. How could someone go from such a prestigious rank to pumping gas? I believe I found the answer in a work ethic grounded in his value-filled generation. He continued to work until he was sixty-eight years old.

Dad never talked much about his

wartime experiences. I regret my interest in his life didn't begin until it was too late. The proudest, and one of the most humbling experiences of my life, came when I was given the honor of placing my father's ribbons and accouterments on his service dress uniform before the funeral.

In those quiet and most intimate moments I connected deeply with my father and the honorable heritage, which he passed on to my brothers and me. I've entered my twenty-second year of military service due, partly, to my father's influence.

Every time I shake hands and speak with one of our maintainers, I touch my father's memory. Sadly, I can never have back the times when I took my father's presence for granted.

I pray that you, who have your fathers still with you, will take the time to enjoy their company. I would also encourage you, fathers, to make every effort to impart an honorable heritage to your children. May the Lord bless you all during this forthcoming month.

buddy in known waters and don't drink.

In the past few years we've been made more aware of the need for diligent force protection. We need to apply this same kind of vigilance off duty during the 101 Critical Days of Summer.

Most mishaps involve one or more of the following factors: alcohol, fatigue, darkness, bad weather, poor judgment, and inappropriate risk-taking. Let's use common sense, plan ahead and be prepared.

An "it-will-never-happen-to-me" attitude is not a guarantee but rather a recipe for disaster. Take care of your family and of your Air Force Reserve family. Be alert and prevent incidents that could cause a lifetime of regrets.

Let's all enjoy the months of summer, but let's enjoy our off-duty time responsibly. (AFRC News Service)

New E-exam allows for flexibility

With the full implementation of computer-based testing, our schedule for testing has changed dramatically.

Regularly scheduled testing is on Tuesdays at 1 p.m.; Thursdays at 9 a.m.; Saturdays, "A" UTA at 1 p.m.; Sundays "A" UTA at 9 a.m.; and Saturdays, on the alternate UTA at 1 p.m.

However, the biggest change has been in unscheduled testing. Should you need to test, and none of our "scheduled" testing times are convenient to your schedule, please call us at 817.782.6981. With a few hours notice, this office may accommodate same day testing.

We must have a current AFIADL website printout, so, if the website is down, we can't allow you to test. We must also allow three hours for the testing session, so testing must begin no later than 1:30 p.m. However, beyond these two limitations, we'll do everything we can to accommodate your schedule.

The new process has given us access to well over 950 computer-based exams, and with very few exceptions (i.e., Air War College), almost everyone will be testing with a computer-based program and receiving their score on the same day the test is administered.



Just a little more

Tech. Sgt. Ron Sion (right) instructs Airman 1st Class David Tigges (center) while Senior Airman David Hatton (left), maneuvers the weapon's placement during an AGM-65 Maverick load/unload training session. All three are 301st Maintenance Squadron aircraft ordnance systems mechanics. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Julie Briden-Garcia, Public Affairs.)



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back. The visit allows everyone to get great job experience as well as enjoy the Alaskan countryside and outdoor activities.

“Most importantly, this mission has allowed us to escape the Texas heat and enjoy the cool and friendly climate shared in Alaska,” Colonel Cox said. “Everyone has made us feel right at home – a great example of Air Force teamwork and camaraderie.”

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the 301st Fighter Wing’s honor guard reputation: Tech. Sgt. Jerry Munoz and Senior Airman Sara Obando.

I also give many thanks to those who have supported the honor guard within their units -- we couldn’t do it without you!

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OPSEC tip of the month —

It’s everyone’s job to protect a piece of the puzzle;
practice OPSEC.

PROMOTIONS, REENLISTMENTS and NEWCOMERS

Promotions

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Senior Airman Justin K. Closner
Senior Airman Timothy C. L. Gipson
Senior Airman Matthew Hall
Senior Airman David T. Hatton
Senior Airman Andrew C. Lutz
Senior Airman Michael Sameulson
Staff Sgt. Alex R. Valenzuela
Master Sgt. Gary F. Gray

301 AMDS

Senior Airman Jemiah L. Thompkins
Staff Sgt. Corey D. Rector
Tech. Sgt. Dana R. Ivy

301 CES

Senior Airman Matthew P. Duckett
Senior Master Sgt. Robert J. Gilligan

301 MSS

Senior Airman Christine D. Mortensen

701 MDS

Staff Sgt. Pedro C. Barbalena
Staff Sgt. Christi G. Malone
Staff Sgt. Gloria L. Opoku
Staff Sgt. Jesse L. Perez
Tech. Sgt. Lora A. Robinson

301 LRS

Staff Sgt. Larry H. Joe
Staff Sgt. Maneka Morrison

301 MXS

Staff Sgt. Christopher W. Joens

301 SFS

Tech. Sgt. David A. Day

301 FW

Tech. Sgt. Lawanna M. Viers
Master Sgt. Gregory J. Gresham
Master Sgt. Ellecia L. Saye

301 SVF

Senior Airman Ryan D. Kennard
Senior Airman Violeta Plata

301 MOF

Master Sgt. Sheri A. Bonay

301 MXG

Senior Master Sgt. Franklin E. Gum

10 AF

Senior Master Sgt. Julie A. Zajec
Senior Master Sgt. Bill L. Goben

810 CEF

Chief Master Sgt. Armando Y. Sanchez

Reenlistments

301 MXS

Tech. Sgt. Jason P. Chandler
Tech. Sgt. Ricky J. Johnston
Tech. Sgt. John P. Richardson
Tech. Sgt. Brady R. Williams

301 MSS

Master Sgt. Charles R. Roberts

301 CF

Staff Sgt. Christopher L. Gingrich

610 SFS

Staff Sgt. Bobby T. Heath

301 LRS

Senior Airman Janet A. Smith

301 AMDS

Master Sgt. Kevin C. Walker
Tech. Sgt. Angela A. Rabel

701 MDS

Staff Sgt. Nathan L. Quigley
Tech. Sgt. Kacee K. Benford
Tech. Sgt. Johnny E. Smith

10 AF

Master Sgt. Julie A. Zajec

610 RSG

Chief Master Sgt. Beverly A. Holub

301 CES

Airman 1st Class Matthew P. Duckett

Newcomers

301 MXS

Airman 1st Class Kyle F. Mcnett

Staff Sgt. Aaron R. Fallon

Senior Airman Christopher F. Hernandez

610 SFS

Senior Airman Michelle Hassler
Master Sgt. Floyd E. Fontenot, Jr.
Staff Sgt. Bobby T. Heath
2nd Lt. Robert L. Mayes

301 MXS

Airman 1st Class Gale W. Gleason

Senior Airman Michael Smith

Staff Sgt. Kimberly A. Webb

Tech. Sgt. Vance Lyles

610 RSG

Lt. Col. Charles E. Guarino

10 AF

Col. Paul G. Hammonds

Col. John D. Lunsford

Col. Stephen Moore

Master Sgt. Randey K. Hayes

Master Sgt. Julie Ann Zajec

301 CES

Airman 1st Class Derrick R. Thompson

Senior Airman David M. Hewitt, Jr.

73 APS

Staff Sgt. Carlos F. Huerta-Catalan

301 FW

Staff Sgt. Theresa M. Johns

301 AMXS

Airman 1st Class David J. Tigges

Staff Sgt. Jerod L. Lotter

457 FS

Staff Sgt. Keith T. Markeson

301 AMDS

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301 SVF

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301 CF

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